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SUBJECT: EXTRANCHECK: PRE-LICENSE CHECK: RPC OPTOLINK LTD,
ZELENOGRAD, MOSCOW, RUSSIA, LICENSE NO. D410990

REFTEL: USDOC 0239

11. Unauthorized disclosure of the information provided below is prohibited by Section 12C of the Export Administration Act.

12. Reftel requested a Pre-license check to determine the legitimacy and reliability of the end-user, RPC Optolink Ltd, Zelenograd, Moscow, Russia. The company is listed on BIS license application D410990 as the ultimate consignee of three (3) Honeywell manufactured QA 650 Accelerometers. These items are controlled for national security (NS), missile technology (MT) and anti-terrorism (AT) reasons under ECCN 7A001. The licensee is Applanix Corporation, 85 Leek Crescent, Richmond, Canada.

13. In April 2008, RPC Optolink Ltd was the subject of a favorable Moscow Post Shipment Verification (Moscow 00973) when the export control team conducted an end use check for photosensitive semiconductors and light emitting diodes received by RPC Optolink Ltd circa 2005.

14. On February 11, 2009, Export Control Attach Peter Liston and LES Natalya Shipitsina conducted the requested pre-license check at the offices of RPC Optolink Ltd, 4806 Proezd, Building 5, Zelenograd, Moscow, Russia. The export control team met with Yuri Korkishko, General Director.

15. RPC Optolink Ltd was founded in 2001 as a joint venture company to develop and apply fiber optic and integrated optic technology to a new generation of optic sensors and components of fiber optical telecommunications. RPC Optolink Ltd also develops, manufactures and supplies a wide assortment of products from fiber and integrated optic components to closed loop fiber optic gyros and strapdown gyrocompasses, from MEMS gyro & accelerometers to inertial measurement systems.

16. RPC Optolink Ltd is 96% owned by Malaysian interests (Kedar Wafer Emas Sdn Bhn) and exports their products to more than 15 countries, including the United States and China. RPC Optolink Ltd employs 170 people in three different branches, Moscow (Zelenograd), Saratov and Arzamas, Russia.

17. Yuri Korkishko, General Director of RPC Optolink Ltd advised the export control team that RPC Optolink Ltd had entered into a contract with Applanix Corporation of Canada in November 2008 to install three (3) U.S. origin Honeywell QA 650 Accelerometers into the RPC Optolink Ltd IMU (International Measurement Unit), test the unit, and then ship it back to Applanix Corporation in Canada. Korkishko stated that the accelerometers are the key component to the navigation system and therefore must be shipped to RPC Optolink Ltd for installation and testing. Korkishko advised that in the future, Applanix Corporation will purchase RPC Optolink LtdQs

gyroscope and install the Honeywell Accelerometers in Canada themselves. Korkishko showed the export control team a computerized diagram of the installation locations of the three (3) Accelerometers.

¶18. Korkishko told the export control team that RPC Optolink Ltd supplies their gyroscopes to Lockheed Martin and John Hopkins University.

¶19. Korkishko also advised the export control team that approximately two (2) years ago RPC Optolink Ltd had email contact with a company in Pakistan that was interested in purchasing some items from their company. RPC Optolink Ltd applied for an export license from the Russian Export Authorities that was never acted upon. Instead, Korkishko stated that Russian Security Services came to his office and advised Korkishko not to pursue the export. On the advice of the Russian Security Services RPC Optolink Ltd withdrew their export application. Korkishko also advised the export control team that RPC Optolink Ltd did export one of their dual-use gyroscopes to China under an export license from Russia. Korkishko was later told by the Russian Security Services that the company listed at the end-user on the export license was not the final end-user. Korkishko blamed the Russian Security Service for not checking out the end-use before issuing RPC Optolink Ltd an export license.

¶17. Recommendations: Post recommends RPC Optolink Ltd, Zelenograd, Moscow, Russia, as reliable recipients of sensitive U.S. origin commodities. It is requested that post be notified of final disposition of the application, and of any shipments for this organization in order to conduct appropriate FCS follow-up and statistical reporting.
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